Sports persons Recommended for Atlanta Games

2004. SHRI JAYANT KUMAR MALHOUTRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to reply to Starred Question No. 42 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th July, 1996 and state:

(a) the yardsticks applied for giving clearance to sports persons for participa tion in the Olympic games;

(b) the reasons for not approving other qualified spurts persons;

(c) whether Government have sent an official delegation to Atlanta; and

(d) if so, the justification of spending a huge amount on the official delegation while denying this opportunity to a small contingent of leading athletes who have made so much preparation for the games?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) The proposal of the Indian Olympic Association was considered by the Government and the following yardsticks were adopted for giving clearance to the athletes/teams for participation in the Olympic games:

(i) whether the athletes/teams have qualified for the Olympic games on the basis of their international performance in recognised tournaments, and on the basis of the qualifying standards laid down for participation;

(ii) creditable performance during the last Asian Games;

(iii) creditable performance at. recent International level tournaments; and

(iv) whether current standards of the athletes, sports persons and teams indicate high performance standards and promise.

While selecting Indian contingent due regard was paid to the importance of our contingent acquitting itself creditabily at the international level. Sportspersons who could not meet these standards, were, therefore not cleared by Government.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The official delegation to Atlanta Olympics has been sent with a view to studying the situation in Atlanta Olympics and to draw lessons which could be of use for improving the standards of sports in India.

मध्य प्रदेश के किसानों को उर्वरकों की आपूर्ति हेतु राजसहायता

2005. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) वर्ष 1995-96 के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश के किसानों हेतु उर्वरकों की आपूर्ति के लिए कुल कितनी राजसहायता मंजूर की गई है;

(ख) विभिन्न उत्पादों के लिए कितनी-कितनी दरों पर राजसहायता प्रदान की गई है;

(ग) क्या उत्पादकों को राजसहायता दी गई है और क्या इसे थोक/खुदरा मूल्यों में शामिल किया गया है; और

(घ) छोटे और सीमान्त किसानों से अनुमानतः कितनी-कितनी राजसहायता का उपयोग किया है?

कृषि मंत्री (श्री चतुरानन मिश्र): (क) मध्य प्रदेश के किसानों को उर्वरकों की सप्लाई के लिए 1995-96 के दौरान विनिर्माताओं/सप्लायरों को रियायत के रूप में 31.80 करोड़ रुपये की राशि का भुगतान किया गया।

(ख) 1995-96 के दौरान विभिन्न उर्वरकों पर दी गई रियायत की दर इस प्रकार थी:—

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(घ) भारत सरकार ने 1995-96 के दौरान सभी वर्ग के किसानों को रियायत दी थी जिसमें छोटे और मार्जिनल किसान शामिल थे। छोटे और मार्जिनल किसानों के लिए अलग से कोई राशि स्वीकृत नहीं की गई थी।

World Bank Assistance for Protection of Tigers

2006. SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain State Governments are seeking financial assistance from the World Bank to implement a novel eco-development project to protect and preserve tiger population in their respective States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this project would envisage people's participation;

(d) whether the project would also provide sufficienet employment opportunities to villagers reducing their scope of livelihood on forests;

(e) whether Government propose to get the proposal approved by the World Bank expeditiously; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAIN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. An eco-development Project has been posed to the World Bank, for the conservation of biodiversity in seven major protected areas by increasing the collaboration between local people and Government managers, and decreasing negating interaction. The total project cost is estimated at US $ 67 million,of which Us $ 20 million would come from a Global Environment Facility (GEF) grant, and US $ 28 million from an International Development Association (IDA) credit. Out of the balance of US $ 19 million, the share of Government of India and the State Governments will be US $ 15 million and that of the beneficiaries, in the form of labour, will be US $ 4 million The expected amount for each of the seven sites to be spent over 5 years is as under;—

S.No	NAME OF THE SITE/STATE	AMOUNT (IN MILLION US $)
1.	PALAMAU — BIHAR	7.93
2	GIR — GUJARAT	7.36
3.	NAGARHOLE — KARNATAKA	8.57
4.	PERIYAR — KERALA	8.74
5.	PENCH — MADHYA PRADESH	5.86
6.	RANTHAMBHORE — RAJASTHAN	8.39
7.	BUXA — WEST BENGAL	7.44